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TO:

USPS Postal Regulatory Commission

FROM:

Mr. Claudius James

**RE:** Docket A2011-34

To Whom It May Concern:

I am a senior citizen who spends time living between the homes of my three children. One of my children resides in Innis, one resides in Lettsworth, and the last resides in Simmesport.

I am very concerned about the Innis post office closing. I receive my social security check in Innis at my child's post office box. I chose to receive it at this post office as it is close to the senior center and I do most of my activities in this community.

I hear all this talk of closing the Innis post office and putting some mail boxes somewhere in a local business. I don't feel very comfortable with this. I don't want my checks being sent to some box in some business. Who will I have to talk to if my check isn't in my box? How will I be able to go about finding out when it has arrived? Will I have to go to some other post office? What about the seniors who do not have transportation? How safe & secure will this be? What type of hours will I have to access my mail?

I am of very modest means and it is imperative I have my check. I have spoken to other seniors and they have the same concerns. From my point of view, it would be best to keep the post office in Innis. For us seniors, it is right around the corner from our senior center that provides us livelihood, hot meals and assisted services. Some of us do not have children to assist us and have very limited transportation. It would be a hardship upon us to have our postal services removed from Innis.

I agree with Mr. Rabalais that there should be a regional post office and it should be located in Innis. I have resided in Pointe Coupee all my life and never once has Batchelor or Lettsworth ever been considered a town. If you wander outside Pointe Coupee, most people have never heard of either. Innis is a different story as it is more developed and has been the stopping point for many out of towners making their way to Old River, Paragon Casino, or other destinations.

Furthermore on a customer service level, the best customer service of all 3 post offices is provided in Innis. I would be curious to see if other folks feel the same as I do regarding customer service.

Thank you for considering my thoughts.

Mr. Claudius James

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